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PERFORMING EXTRACTION USING

A MODEL TRAINED WITH BAYESIAN INFERENCE VIA A MONTE CARLO METHOD

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Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests the patent Examiner to amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows before examining the patent application: